

MS 251 (Biography)

Title: Tanwīru 'l-absār fī tabaqāti 's-aādati  
'r-rifā'iyyati 'l-akhyār

Author: As-Sayyid Muḥammad b. Ḥasan Wādī  
as-Sayyādī ar-Rifā'ī al-Khālidī (d. 1327/  
1909)

Date: 1306/1888

Brookelmann S. II. 869<sub>5</sub>.

Written by the author. Authorities and sources quoted  
in full.

Folios 129, 9½ x 6½ in; in single columns of 25 lines to page,  
no border. Written on waxed, off-white, matt paper in calli-  
graphic Naskh, no vowel or orthographic signs. Rubrics and  
headings in red. Pages now loose, covers missing. Title in  
red and black in full in folio 1. Additional notes at end after  
Colophon.

Begins:

فيقول العبد الفقير لرحمة الرحيم الهادي محمد أبو  
الهدى ابن السيد حسن وادي الرفاعي

Ends:

والحمد لله واجب الانعام والعبد أو الشاتم

MS 252 (Travel)

Title: Rihla of Ibn Battūta  
 Editor: Muhammad b. Muhammad b. Ahmad b. Juzay  
 al-Kalbī (al-Ghumārī) (d. 757/1356)  
 Copied: By a Tālib of Tangier  
 Date: 1856 A.D.

Brockelmann G.II.332<sub>12</sub>; S.II.366<sub>12</sub>

According to Arthur Paget's inscription on the inside of the back cover, this copy was made from an ancient MS which came from Fez. Affixed to the inside of the back cover is a letter dated 1.4.1857 from M. Bien of the British Museum, giving an opinion of the recension of the work.

Folios 321, 1K x 7½ in; in single columns of 22 lines to page, within a border of one blue and two red lines, 7½ x 4½ in. Written on excellent, chalk-surfaced matt paper in inelegant Maghribī hand, unvocalized, without orthographic signs, except for later vocalization of rubrics in blue. Rubrics in red subject headings in red. No annotations; a few water stains in folio 187. Bound in ornamented brown leather covered boards, with flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins:

قال الشيخ سيدى محمد بن الشيخ احمد بن جنى الكلى

Ends:

دمشقيه عربية . . . سمينا - عراقا

MS 253 (Poetry)

Title: Naqā'id Jarīr wa'l-Farazdaq

Collector: Muhammad b. Habīb (d. 245/859)

Copyist: Rizqallāh b. Ni'matallāh Hassūn al-  
Halabī

Date: 1873 A.D.

Brockelmann G.I.55: S.I.87.

Complete with the Commentary of Muhammad b. al-'Abbās al-Yazīdī and an Isnād for the Riwāya which reached al-Yazīdī. There is at the end a complete Index. This rare work (with Commentary) was copied in England (from the Bodleian copy?).

Folios 391, 11 $\frac{3}{4}$  x 6 $\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single or double columns of 14-24 lines to page, within a border of gold and blue, 10 x 5 in.,

with ornamental design at top of panel in each page containing the page number. Written on stout, chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper, with watermark, in excellent Naskh, vocalized throughout (comments largely unvocalized), with orthographic signs.

Rubrics in large black characters, no annotations. Footnotes (numbers in red) below single blue line. Complete Fihrist in folios 384a-391. Bound in modern, brown leather covered boards, no flap. Title "The Controversy of Jerir and el Ferazdak" gilt on spine. 'Unwān Kitāb an-Naqā'id, Naqā'id Jarīr wa'l-Farazdaq in folio 1.

Begins: قال ابو عبد الله محمد بن العباس اليزيدي قال الحسن  
ابن الحسين السكري

Ends: ركت اذ نزلت بدار قوم رحلت بنيرة وتركنا مارا

MS 254 (Law)

Title: al-anwār li-a'mālī 'l-abrār (sic) (fī 'l-fiqh 'alā madhhabī 'l-imām Muhammad b. Ardabīlī ash-Shāfi'ī)

Author: Muhammad b. Ardabīlī ash-Shāfi'ī (d. 776/1374)

Date: Not stated; probably 15th century

Brockelmann G.II.255<sub>3</sub>; S.II.271<sub>3</sub>.

The above title is a variant from the correct "al-anwār li-a'mālī 'l-barara" as given by Brockelmann. Similarly the author's name is a variant from the correct "Jamāladdīn Yūsuf b. Ibrāhīm al-Ardabīlī ash-Shāfi'ī." The full 'Unwān in the MS is as given above under "Title".

Folios 21, 9½ x 6 in; in single columns of 31 lines to page, no border. Written on rough stained paper, with broad vertical layers, in clear Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. All margins breaking away and now strengthened by strips of white paper, with loss of marginal annotations. All margins with annotations. Sub-titles in red. Bound in cheap, magenta paper covered boards, orange cloth on spine, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in folios 1 and 3. Fihrist in folios 1a, 2a. Fragment of an older MS affixed to folio 2. Incomplete; the MS is really no more than a substantial fragment.

Begins:

الحمد لله العبد المنيذ العفي المبدى المحيد

Ends only at:

ويرفع رأسه مكبرا ويجلس --- ويسلم --- ان

MS 255 (Encyclopedia)

Title: Sharh 'aḡā'idī 'l-imām an-Nasafī  
Author: al-'Umarī al-Balkhī al-Jūnfūrī  
Date: 911/1505

Brockelmann G.II.280<sub>11</sub>.

Complete Commentary on the Mukhtasar above entitled, from the work of Mas'ūd b. 'Umar Sa'daddīn at-Taftāzānī (d.792/1390), but cf. Brockelmann's order for the name.

Folios 45, 7¼ x 5¼ in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on rough matt paper in clear Syrian Naskh, vocalized and with orthographic signs in places. Rubrics and sub-headings in red; some marginal annotations. Many margins repaired, some damp stains, some worm holes, but little text lost. Bound in marbled, paper covered boards, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in red and black in folio 1.

Begins: فان مبني علم الشرايع والا-نكام واساس قواعد عنايد الاسلام

Ends: افضلية الملايكة والله اعلم بالسواب

MS 256 (Prayers)

Title: Dalā'ilu 'l-khairāt wa-shawāriqu 'l-anwār  
 fī dhikri 's-salāt 'ala 'n-nabī al-mukhtār  
 Author: Muhammad b. Sulaimān a. Bakr al-Jazūlī  
 (d. 870/1465)  
 Date: 1106/1694

Brockelmann G.II.307<sub>4</sub>: S.II.359<sub>4</sub>.

Folios 9, 6 x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of 11 lines to page, within a border of red, black and gold lines, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$  x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  in. Written on horizontally-laid paper with vertical layer every 25 cms., in excellent Naskh, fully vocalized with the orthographic signs. Verses divided by circles in gold, black and red. Rubrics in red; no annotations. Dampstained throughout. Ornamentations in folios 1a, 2. Decorated designs before Ascription in red, gold, pink and blue. Bound in good red leather covered boards, with flaps, indented designs on both covers.

Begins: -- في هذا الكتاب ذكر السلوة على النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم

Ends: والصديقين يوم القيامة بفضلك يا ارحم الراحمين



MS 257 (Ophthalmology)

Title: Tadhkiratu 'l-kahhālīn

Author: Sharafaddīn 'Alī b. 'Isā al-Kahhāl (d. ca.  
400/1010)

Date: Not stated; 19th century.

Brockelmann G.I.635<sub>15.1a</sub>: S.I.884<sub>1a.I</sub>.

The main section is divided into three Maqālāt, and the remaining tracts into fusūl and abyāb. At the end, in the same hand, there is a treatise on anatomy, by the same author.

Folios 107, 5½ x 4 in; in single columns of average of 33 lines to page, no border. Written on chalky, waxed, horizontally-laid paper, vertical layers to the inch, in careless Ta'liq, unvocalized and without orthographic signs. Rubrics in black, sub-divisions headed in black; many marginal annotations. Bound in marbled paper covered boards, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1.

Beginnings and Endings hardly apply in this work, as there are many short treatises, each independent.



MS 258. (Panegyric)

Title: Bānat Su'ād fī madh khairi 'l-'ibād

Author: Ka'b b. Zuhair

Copyist: 'Abdarrahmān b. Muḥammad b. 'Alī an-Nahsī

Date: Not stated; probably late 14th century

Brockelmann G.I.33: S.I.68.

A Complete and beautiful copy of Qasīdat al-Burda in rare Mamlūk calligraphy. A rare copy.

Folios 11, 11½ x 8¼ in; each page divided into 9 squares and three rectangles, within a border of blue and gold lines, 8¼ x 5¾ in. Written on thick, waxed matt paper in excellent calligraphic Naskh, vocalized, with orthographic signs. Main verses in large black characters; verses within squares in red, gold and black, some within parallelograms of gold lines. Bound in leather with elaborate gold-stamped covers and shamsiyya decorations, with flap. Back and sides have been repaired. Title piece in gold Thulūth hand, followed by simple 'Unwān in blue and gold.

Begins:

Ends:

بانت سعاد فتنى اليوم مقبول  
وما لدم من حياض الموت (توليل)

MS 259 (Theology)Title: (Commentary on) *Bihār al-anwār*

Author: Not stated

Copyist: Abū Tālib b. Muhammad Ja'far

Date: See below

Brookelmann S.II.573<sub>6.4</sub>.

Persian Commentary on the work of Shi'ite theology by Muhammad Bāqir b. Muhammad Taqī b. Maqsūd 'Alī al-Isfahānī (d.1110/1700). The copy is dated 924/1519, but this is a manifest error. The MS is probably from the 18th century.

Folios 256, 8½ x 6 in; in single columns of 16 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, finely woven paper in clear but inelegant Naskh, some lemmas only vocalized, with orthographic signs. Lemmas overlined in red, a few marginal annotations. Bound in stiff, reddish-brown leather covered boards, quires breaking from spine, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins:

نبدہ خطی محمد باقر بن محمد تقی

Ends:

رحمت و مغفرت -- -- امین رب العالمین

MS 260 (Theology)

Title: Usūlu 'l-kāfī fī 'ilmī 'd-dīn  
 Author: Ja'far Muhammad b. Ya'qūb b. Ishāq al-  
 Kulīnī (d. 328/939)  
 Date: 1072/1661

Brockelmann G.I. 199<sub>3a.1</sub>: S.I. 320<sub>7.1</sub>.

The well-known Imamate work on Theology, one of the four Shi'ite canonical books. Fo. 'Ja'far' read probably 'Abū Ja'far'.

Folios 402, 12 x 8½ in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, within a border of blue, red, black and gold lines, 8½ x 5 in.

Written on off-white, thin matt paper in calligraphic Naskh, without vowel or orthographic signs. Folios 1a-4 beautifully designed, with gilt floral decorations in margins, rose-pink wavelet motif between lines of script. In folio 1a before the Ascription there is a highly ornate, multicoloured design.

Title and proper names in red; many interlinear and marginal annotations, copious in early folios. Slightly dampstained along edges of folios. Bound in excellent red leather covered boards, with blue marbled paper on inside covers. Simple 'Unwān in later hand on flyleaf.

Begins:

الحمد لله المعبود لنسبته المعبود لقدرته

Ends:

من ابي الحسن موسى عليه السلام في الطور التي فيها ذكر  
الله عز وجل قال اغسلوا

MS 261 (Qur'ān)

THE COMPLETE MUSHAF, probably 17th century

Folios 342, 10 x 6½ in; in single columns of 12 lines to page, on panels of gold leaf, surrounded by black, red and gold lines, 6 x 3½ in., within an outer border of black lines and leaf-design in gold, 9½ x 6½ in. Written on gold leaf panels set within chalky, vertically-laid paper, in beautiful calligraphic Naskh, completely vocalized, with all orthographic signs.

Folios 1-3 in various highly ornate designs (partly repaired), multicoloured. Surah headings in white within gold designs inside a rectangle of mainly green, red, blue and gold. No annotations. Quires loose within black leather covered boards, no flap. Complete.

MS 262 (Geography)

Title: Mu'jamu 'l-Buldān

Author: Abū 'Abdallāh Yāqūt b. 'Abdallāh al-Hamawī al-Baghdādī (d. 626/1229)

Date: 1255/1839

Brockelmann G.I. 632<sub>10.I</sub>: S.I. 880<sub>10.I</sub>.

A complete abridgement of the Geographical Dictionary.  
name of abridger not given.

Folios 161, 12 x 8½ in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, waxed, horizontally-laid paper, with vertical paper to the inch, in clear Syrian Naskh, without vowel and orthographic signs in the main. Sub-headings in red; no annotations. Bound in good red stamped leather covered boards, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins: قال الشيخ الامام الفاضل العلامة الاوحد شهاب الدين ضياء الاسلام

Ends:

والله اعلم بالصواب وعند ام الكتاب



MS 263 (Medicine)

A COLLECTION OF HINTS ON HYGIENE

with instructions on what to eat to maintain  
health in various seasons

The first folio or folios missing, the work is completed with detailed tables and a Fihrist. From the Yūsuf Saifī Library (see Fasc.II, p.8). Not dated; 19th century.

Folios 24,  $5\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of 15 lines to page, no border. Charts divided by red lines. Written on chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper, with vertical layer every 32 cm., in inelegant Syrian Naskh, without vowel and orthographic signs. Sub-divisions in red; no annotations. Bound in red marbled paper covered boards, red leather on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins only at:

الرطوبة وفيه - - - - ويغري - - الى اعلاها

Ends with Fihrist.

MS 264 (Quranic Science/Tafsīr)

Title: Haqā'iq 'ā-daqa'iq (but see below)

Author: (Attributed to) Abu 'l-Laith Samarqandī  
(d. ca. 373/983)

Date: 1062/1642

The above title appears in the Colophon (marginal note to the word "Kitāb") and the author's name appears at the beginning, but no work thus entitled under the above author's name has been recorded.

For as-Samarqandī see Brockelmann G.I. 210<sub>6</sub>: S.I. 347<sub>6</sub>.

The work looks like a Mukhtasar of as-Samarqandī's "Tafsīr al-Qur'ān", extracted by someone not mentioned. It is arranged in chapters in the form "Bāb fī dhikr ...".

Folios 48, 8 x 5 in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, with horizontal layers, but some pages are of older matt paper with irregular horizontal layers, in good, clear Persian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. 'Bāb' in red throughout, some



marginal annotations. Now without binding, but spine with rough cloth support preserved. No 'Unwān.

Begins: قال ابوليث سمرقندي - - - ان الله تعالى خلق

Ends: قال النبي صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم ان اعدل البنية - -

MS 265 (Medicine)

Title: Masā'il Ḥanain (fī 'ilmi 't-tibb)

Author: Not stated

Date: 1034/1625

The preface states that he himself composed the work thus entitled. It begins with a statement on the elements.

Folios 46,  $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on stout, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 27 cm., in clear, inelegant Naskh, without vowel or orthographic signs. Chief words of topics overlined in red. No annotations. Dampstains cause fading of text in places.

Pages now loose, first two folios damaged through handling.

Simple 'Unwān in folio 1.

Begins: فهذا كتاب لطيف اذكر فيه ما يحتاج اليه الدليل

Ends: بالمغفرة والرحمة والله اعلم بالصواب

MS 266 (Panegyrics)

A COMPENDIUM OF PRAISES OF GOD BY VARIOUS  
WRITERS

These are short poems for the most part, dated and with composers' names. The dates of the older portion vary from 1180 to 1183 A.H. The work has been brought up to the date 1212 A.H. in the later portion with short pieces of similar type. The MS is therefore to be dated 1180-1212 / 1768-1798. The beginning is lost.

Folios 28, 9¼ x 5½ in; in double columns of varying number of lines to page, each column within a panel of black and gold, complete panel 7 x 3½ in. Written on stout matt paper in

excellent stylistic Naskh, no vowel signs, some orthographic signs. Titles and dates in red; no annotations. Last 9 folios of softer, chalky, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 22 cms. Dampstained throughout; some panel frames repaired. Bound in reddish-brown leather covered boards, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins only at last two lines of a poem dated 1181/1769. Ends with a poem dated 1207/1793.

MS 267 (Dīwān)

Title: Not stated

Author: Husāmaddīn 'Isā al-Irbillī (d.692/1293)

Editor: 'Umar b. Muḥammad b. 'Umar b. al-Husain  
ad-Dimashqī

Date: 1264/1847

Brookelmann G.I.515<sub>10</sub>: S.I.713<sub>10</sub>.

There is no indication in the MS as to the title, but several times the title "Dīwān" appears in the preamble. There is a separate collection in the last 7 folios, collector not named.

Folios 75 (5 blank at beginning, 8 at end),  $7\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of average 14 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced matt paper in Ta'liq (last 7 folios in Persian Naskh), without vowel or orthographic signs. No rubrics or headings; no annotations. Some water stains, wormholes, and a few marginal repairs. Bound in marbled paper covered boards, no flap. Lower corner of front cover broken off. No 'Unwān.

Begins: الحمد لله رب العالمين والصلوة والسلام على محمد وآله

Ends (broken): ويا عاذلي والله ما انت ضيف امن مثل هذا

MS 268 (Law)

#### AN UNIDENTIFIED LAW-BOOK

Incomplete at beginning and end, there is no title or author's name available. The work covers the usual topics of the law-books of the main schools. The MS is apparently 17th century. One of the prefixed sheets begins with the title "Kitāb at-Tahūra", but the first of the main pages does not follow on.

Folios 175, 7 x 5 in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on stout, vertically-laid paper in small, clear Syrian Naskh, without vowel signs, but with many orthographic signs. Many interlinear and marginal annotations and glosses in various hands. Titles in red throughout. There are many inserted, prefixed and appended sheets, chiefly smaller in size, in various hands. Many margins repaired. Bound in black marbled paper covered boards, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins (main text):

ان المستعمل في عبارة الطهارة

Ends (main text) only at: عين ولدة احتقرا ولدها اذا استولد جارتها  
(كتاب عتق امهات الاولاد)

MS 269 (Grammar)

Title: al-Fawā'idu 'n-nahwiya fī sharhi 'l-  
Ājurrāmīya

Author: 'Umar b. 'Abdarrāḥīm al-Basrī al-Mudarris

Date: 1257/1841

This Commentary is not apparently recorded by  
Brockelmann.

Folios 45, (1-14)  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$  in. (15-45)  $9 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$  in; in single columns of (1-14) 22, (15-45) 24 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 29 cms., in inelegant Naskh, partly vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Headings in red; some marginal annotations. Bound in magenta paper covered boards, brown leather on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins:

فقد سألني بعض الطلبة شرحا

Ends:

المجور بالتبعية لتقدم التواضع بيميننا في العرفقات والله اعلم

MS 270 (Grammar)

Title: al-La'ālī'a 'd-durrīya fī sharhī 'l-  
Ājurrūmiya

Author: Muhammad b. 'Abdallāh b. Ahmad al-Harīrī  
al-'Āmilī ad-Dimashqī (d. 1059/1649)

Date: Not stated; probably 18th century

Brockelmann S.II.396<sub>9d</sub>.

Folios 96,  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$  in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to average 29 cms., in To'liq, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Lemmas overlined in black, some marginal annotations. Some margins repaired. Incomplete at beginning and end. Bound in magenta paper covered boards, orange cloth on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins only at:

--وسميت اللالى الدرية نى شرح الابرومية

Ends only at:

ولا يكون فاعله الا ضمير فكانت ليس اقوى منى واتول

MS 271 (Prayers)

#### A VOLUME OF CHRISTIAN PRAYERS

Written in A.D. 1841 by Anton, son of Jibrā'il Saifī.

Folios 62,  $4 \times 3$  in; in single columns of average 15 lines to page, within a border of one red line,  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$  in. Written on chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 27 cms., in inelegant Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without



orthographic signs. Rubrics and refrains in red; no annotations. Line drawing of saint at end, with inscription "B. ALFONSO DE LIGUORI"; cuttings from French and Italian religious literature affixed within body of text. Bound in rose marbled paper covered boards, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins with Christian Ascription and a series of short prayers for various occasions.

Ends with a brief prayer addressed to Jēsus, Mary and Joseph.

MS 272 (Qasīda)

Title: Qasīda Lāmīya

Author: Abū 'Abdallāh b. Abī Bakr b. Yahyā b.  
'Abdallāh ash-Shaqrātī (d.466/1073)

Date: 1079/1668

Brockelmann G.I.315<sub>4</sub>: S.I.473<sub>4</sub>.

Folios 8, 8 x 6 in; in double columns of 10 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 27 cms., in clear Thulūth, partly vocalized, with orthographic signs. Interlinear and marginal

notes in various hands, in black or red. Quire loose within simple paper covers. Simple 'Unwān in red in folio 1.

Begins and Ends according to the received text.

MS 273 (Prayer)

Title: Munyatu 'l-musallī wa-ghunyatu 'l-mubtadi'  
 Author: Sadīdaddīn al-Kāshgharī (7th/13th century?)  
 Date: Not stated; probably 17th century

Brockelmann G.I.478<sub>51</sub>; S.I.659<sub>52</sub>.

Incomplete at the beginning.

Folios 235, 7½ x 5½ in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 23 cms., in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Lemmas overlined in black and red; several marginal glosses and a few marginal annotations. Damp-stained throughout; last folio loose. Bound in brown leather covered boards, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in modern hand on fly-leaf.

Begins only at:  واتبع ذكر الله بذكر رسوله فقال والصلوة والسلام

Ends: على كل حال وعلو الله من سيدنا محمد وآله وصحبه وسلم

MS 274 (Poetry)

Title: Safīnat Nūḥ

Author: (Ibrāhīm al-Haqqī ....)

Copyist: Sa'dallāh b. 'Alī Ahmad

Date: 1121/1709

In Arabic and Persian verses, apparently not the well-known work recorded by Brockelmann under the above title.

Folios 42, 8 x 5½ in; in double columns of 21 lines to page, within a border of gold and black lines, 6 x 3¼ in. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to average 24 cms., in Persian Naskh. Rubrics in red; no annotations. First folio lost containing beginning of Fihrist. Ornamented qubba above Ascription in gold, blue, orange and red. Quires loose. Simple 'Unwān in red in folio 1a.

Begins:

بسم الله الحمد لله وعلو الله على نبينا

Ends:

ربط قلبست حقي - - - نقش ضمير

MS 275 (Philosophy)Title: Sharh Adābi 'l-baḥṭhAuthor: 'Alā'addīn Abu 'l-'Alā' Muḥammad b.  
Ahmad al-Isfarā'inī al-Bihishtī Fakhr  
Khurāsān (d. ca. 900/1494)

Date: 905/1499

Brookelmann G.I.616<sub>I.6</sub>; S.I.850<sub>I.4</sub>

Commentary on the work (Risāla) by Shamsaddīn as-Samarqandī (d. ca. 690/1291).

Folios 19, 7¼ x 5½ in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written on thick, waxed matt paper in inelegant Persian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Lemmas in red; many marginal glosses and annotations. Folios loose, edges of margins worn; a few dampstains. Simple 'Unwān in red in folio 1.

Begins:

الحمد لله الذي هدانا لهذا الذي كنا لنهتدي لولا أن هدانا الله

Ends:

الشافعي فخر الله له والوالده - - المسلمين والحمد لله وحده

MS 276 (Dīwān)

Title: Dīwān darrati 'l-mahzūn (wa-jauharati  
'l-mahzūn)

Author: Fathallāh b. an-Nahhās (d.1052/1642)

Date: 1096/1685

Brockelmann S.II.510<sub>7.1</sub>°

Folios 46,  $8\frac{3}{4}$  x  $5\frac{3}{4}$  in; in double columns of 17 lines to page, within a border of black and gold lines,  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 24 cms., in good clear Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Hemistichs separated by three red dots throughout; rubrics in red; no annotations. Bound in green marbled paper covered boards, front cover missing, no flap. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1. Miscellaneous poetry at end.

Begins: نحمدك اللهم ان اطلعت في سماء البلافة شعوسا ودررا

Ends: هو مولا ---نعمه انه بشكرها لا اتق

MS 277 (Lexicography)

Title: Mukhtasar fī 'ilmi 'l-luḡha

Author: Muḥammad b. Abī Bakr b. 'Abdalqādir ar-Rāzī (ca. 650/1252)

Date: Not stated; possibly mid-18th century

Brockelmann G.I.134<sub>3.d</sub>: S.I.196<sub>3.d</sub>.

ar-Rāzī's work is an epitome of the lexicographical work by Abū Naṣr Ismā'īl b. Ḥammād al-Jauharī entitled "Kitāb as-Sihāh", or (more correctly) "Tāj al-Luḡha wa-Sihāh al-'Arabīya".

Folios 259, 8½ x 6½ in; in single columns of 25 lines to page, within a border of a single red line, 6½ x 3¾ in. Written on good waxed, horizontally-laid paper, vertical layer to every 26 cms., in small clear Naskh, partially vocalized, with some orthographic signs. Headings and words of lexicon in red; no annotations. Incomplete at end (section on Yā'). Bound in stamped brown leather, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins: قال العبد الفقير الى رحمة ربه ومغفرته محمد بن ابي بكر  
ابن عبد القادر الرازي  
Ends only at: وتساب القسيده التي قوافيها على الياء ياوية

MS 278 (Rhetoric)

Title: Tuhfatu 's-sultān fī sharḥ fathī 'r-  
rahmān (OR Kashfu 'l-ma'ānī fī sharḥ fathī  
'r-rahmān)

Author: Ahmad b. Mahmūd al-Barzanjī

Date: 1227/1812

The first title for this Commentary is given as an  
'Unwān in folio 2a, the latter in the Colophon.

Folios 87, 8½ x 5½ in; in single columns of 12 lines to page,  
within a border of two red lines and one green, 6¼ x 3 in.  
Written on stout, waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal  
layer to average 26 cms., in large inelegant Naskh, unvocalized.  
without orthographic signs. Lemmas overlined in red; no



annotations. Bound in Turkish-style stamped leather covered boards, nine stamped designs in gold or green on both covers, no flap. Folios 1a-2 have blank panels. Simple 'Unwān in folio 2a, but see above.

Begins (after very long Ascription): فيقول افقر المدرسين واصوجهم  
الى فخر مولاه المنبى

Ends: خیر الملاء بالتدر لون الشمس  
كخیر الملاء ای البعاعة

MS 279 (Law)

Title: Fathu 'l-Wahhāb

Author: Zakarīyā' al-Anṣārī (d. 926/1520)

Copyist: Kāzīm b. Hārūn al-Jabūrī

Date: 1217/1802

Brockelmann G.I.497<sub>18</sub>: S.I.681<sub>18</sub>.

This is the Commentary by the author on his own compendium "Minhājatu 't-Tullāb" of an-Nawawī's "Minhāju 't-Tālibīn" (the spellings are Brockelmann's), the manual of Shāfi'ī jurisprudence.

The MS is from the library of Sayyid 'Abdallāh as-Saqt of Baghdad; it was made a "waqf" by him in 1246/1830, the details being in folio 1.

Folios 226, 8½ x 6 in; in single columns of 25 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, chalk-surfaced, vertically-laid paper, in clear Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Lemmas in red; no annotations. Bound in marbled paper covered boards, red leather on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins: (كتاب الفرائض) أو مسائل قسمة الموارث بين فريضة

Ends: من التث و هذا من زيادتي والله اعلم

MS 280 (Hadīth)

Title: Ashrafu 'l-wasā'il (ilā fahmī 'sh-shamā'il)

Author: Ahmad b. Hajar al-Haitamī (d. 973/1565)

Date: Not stated; probably 18th century

Brockelmann G.I.170<sub>3</sub>: S.I.268<sub>II.3°</sub>

This is the Commentary on at-Tirmidhī's "Kitāb ash-Shamā'il". On the front paper cover the title "Sharh Shamā'il an-Nabī li-bn Hajar" has been written in a modern hand.

Folios 46,  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 6 in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 31 cms., in inelegant Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Lemmas in red, many words of commentary adorned in red; no annotations. Quires and some folios loose within paper covers, part of original leather spine covering adhering. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1 in black and red.

Begins:

فهذه رسالة علقها علي تشكّل شمائل الامام

Ends:

علي بيان النبواز اللزم الا ان تجلب بان

MS 281 (Geomancy, Astrology)

#### TWO TRACTS WITHIN THE ONE VOLUME

1. Folios 1-55 Title: Risāla fī 'ilmi 'r-Raml  
 Author: Not stated  
 Date: Not stated; 18th century

2. Folios 56a-72 Title: Fā'ida fī ma'rifa taqwīmī 'l-kawākib  
 Author: Not stated  
 Date: As above

A short tract on casting horoscopes with an almanac.  
 Last two folios in a different hand, giving notes on Takṣīr al-Hurūf.

Folios 71,  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of average 27 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, horizontally-laid paper, vertical layer to every 28 cms., in small Ta'līq, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Rubrics and headings in red; a few marginal notes and corrections. Charts and tables in black and red. Bound in buff and red marbled paper covered boards, brown leather on spine, no flap. Simple 'Unwāns in red in folios 1 and 56a.

1. Begins: بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْعَلِيِّ

Ends with sūrat al-fadwā.

2. Begins:

الحساب والاسعد اول يوم  
 هذا القياس في جميع الاشكال

Ends:

MS 282 (Philosophy)A LARGE FRAGMENT OF A COMMENTARY ON AN UNIDENTIFIED  
WORK ON PHILOSOPHY

The work is not paginated and it is not known how many folios are missing at both ends. The marginal headings refer to a wide range of theological and philosophical topics. The first complete fr. deals with manzilat as-Safā, based on Quranic quotations. 'Alī and Ibn Mas'ūd and the Commentator on Sāhib al-Manāzil are frequently cited.

Folios 177, 8½ x 6 in; in single columns of 21 lines to page, no border. Written on heavily waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 29 cms., in mixed Nāskh-Ruq'a, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Rubrics and lemmas in red; many marginal annotations and glosses. Some waterstains. Folios loose within brown stamped leather covered boards, with flap; spine broken. No 'Unwān. Apparently no lacunae; beginning and ending missing.

Begins only at: من المعاملات البشائية --- الى المعاملات القلبية

Ends only at: كما امرت --- امره لم رقل انفت بما

MS 283 (Belles Lettres)

Title: Sharh Risālat ABī Walīd b. Zaidūn

Author: Not stated

Date: 1228/1813

It is stated in folio 75 quite clearly that the work is called az-Zaidūniya, despite the title after the Ascription in folio 1a.

Bruckebach 3.1.125. 3.1.1.15

Folios 61, 84 x 11 in; in single columns of average 21 lines to page, no border. Written on good vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 28 cms., in inelegant Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. No headings, but topics noted in margins. Considerable waterstaining has made the text very faint in places. Bound in brown stamped leather, no flap. No proper 'Unwān (but see above).



Begins:

الحمد لله الذي لا يوجب الحمد الا له وحلى على سيدنا

Ends:

المعصوم بأشرف رساله  
في الاخلاق (illegible)MS 284 (Dīwān)Title: Dīwān Abi 't-Tayyib Ahmad b. al-Husain b.  
al-Hasan al-MutannabīAuthor: Abu 't-Tayyib Ahmad .... al-Mutannabī  
(d.254/965)

Copyist: Muhammad b. 'Abdarrahmān as-Salmūnī

Date: 1145/1732

Brockelmann G.I. 87: S.I. 140.

A beautiful copy in an excellent format.

Folios 182,  $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$  in; in double columns of 17 lines to page, within a border of double red lines, columns separated by double red lines. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 21 cms., in excellent Naskh, vocalized, with the



orthographic signs. Headings in large black characters, rarely green, subsidiary material in red characters; no annotations. Folio 1a headed by highly ornamented qubba in red, gold and black. Bound in brown leather covered boards, no flap. Gilt floral designs on spine. Simple 'Unwān in folio 1.

Begins: قال ابو الطيب احمد بن الحسين بن الحسن المتني

Ends: ولا استرد حياة منك بعد ان

MS 285 (Geomancy)

AN UNTITLED WORK ON GEOMANCY OF THE 19TH CENTURY

The work, which receives the general title of "'ilm ar-Raml" on the flyleaf in a later hand, is apparently an extract from a larger work. The beginning of the original is not included. The work was begun in one hand and continued in several others.

Folios 41 (with additional 8 blank folios at the beginning)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x  $6\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of 23 lines to page, no border. Written

on thick vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 26 cms., in various hands, unvocalized, without orthographic signs.

Headings, numerals and geomantic signs in red; with several marginal annotations and formulae. Ends with the traditional tables of signs. Bound in marbled paper covered boards, red leather on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān. Miscellaneous material at end.

Begins:

اجتماع النقاط فردية كانت او زوجية

Ends with tables.

MS 286 (Grammar)

Title: al-Fawākiḥ 'l-janīya 'alā mutammimatī  
'l-Ājurrūmiya

Author: 'Abdallāh b. Ahmad al-Fākihī (d.972/1564)

Copyist: 'Abdal'ādī b. 'Alī b. Maqbūl Damīṭī

Date: 1266/1850

Brockelmann G.II.309<sub>61</sub>: S.II.334<sub>57</sub>.

Commentary on the *Ājurrāmiya*, composed in 956/1549.

This is the *Sharh* (Ta'liq) on the Commentary by Muhammad b. Muhammad b. 'Abdarrahmān al-Khattāb ar-Ru'ainī Jamāladdīn (a. 956/1547).

Folios 85, 9 x 6½ in; in single columns of 24 lines to page, no border. Written on thick, waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 28 cms., in inelegant Naskh, mainly unvocalized, with some orthographic signs. Headings in large black characters; lemmas in red. Many marginal annotations. Bound in brown stamped leather covered boards, overlaid varnished paper on covers; spine and flap leather renewed. Simple 'Unwān in folio 2.

Begins: فهذا تعليق لطيف وضعته علي المقدمة الموضوعة في السرية

Ends: انهاء مولفه --- سنة ست وخمسين وتسعمائة والحمد لله رب العالمين

MS 287 (Hadīth)

Title: Kitābu '*sh-shifā*' fī ta'rīf huqūqī 'l-mustafā

Author: al-Qādī (Abu 'l-Fadl) 'Iyād b. Mūsā b. 'Iyād al-Yahsubī as-Sabtī al-Mālikī

(a. 544/1149)

Date: 1228/1813

Brockelmann G.I.455<sub>5</sub>: 630<sub>5</sub>.

Folios 265, 8 x 4½ in; in single columns of 24 lines to page, within a border of one red line, 6 x 2¾ in. Written on paper of various types and shades, in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Section and subsection numbering in red; topics noted in margins in black. Ornamented gubba in green before Ascription. No annotations. Bound in stamped brown leather covered boards, with flap; spine loosening from quires. No 'Unwān.

Begins:

اشق الله تلى وقلبك بانوار البتين

Ends:

وحسبنا الله ونعم الوكيل ندم العزلى ونعم النسير

MS 268 (Quranic Science)

Title: Qisāṣu 'l-Qur'ān

Author: Abū Ishāq Ahmad b. Muḥammad b.

Ibrāhīm ath-Tha'labī (a.427/1035)

Date: 1141/1728

Brockelmann G.I.429<sub>2</sub>: S.I.592<sub>2</sub>.

The full title should be "Nafā'isu 'l-'arā'is wa-yawāqītu 't-tījān fī qisāṣi 'l-qur'ān li 'sh-sharḥ wa-'l-bayān". The work is arranged in abwāb. But cf. Sarkiss col.663.

Folios 138, 12 x 7 $\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of 33 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed matt paper with vertical layers to every 22 cms., in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. "Bāb" and subsidiary headings in red; no annotations. Excellently bound in brown stamped leather covered boards, marbled paper on inside covers and inside flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins: قال الاستاذ ابو اسحق احمد بن محمد بن ابراهيم الثعلبي ادام  
الله توفيقه

Ends: وسلم تسليمًا كثيرًا ابدًا دايما الي يوم الدين

MS 289 (Hadīth)

Title: Ṣaḥīḥu 'l-Bukhārī

Author: Abū 'Abdallāh Muḥammad ... b. Bardizbah  
al-Bukhārī (d.256/870)

Date: Before 849/1446

Brockelmann G.I.164<sub>I</sub>: S.I.261<sub>I</sub>.

There is no colophon, but two ownership notices are dated 849 & 868 A.H. respectively. The manuscript displays several characteristics of early 14th century manuscripts.

Folios 92, 8½ x 6 in; in single columns of 15 lines to page, no border. Written on stout, matt oriental paper, in calligraphic Kūfī script, mainly vocalized, with orthographic signs. "Bāb" and "hathānā" in gold throughout, the latter sometimes in red; many marginal annotations and glosses. Some corner edges eaten away; latter folios waterstained. First folio apparently missing. Bound now in deep blue paper covered boards, pale green cloth on spine, no flap. No 'Unwān.

Begins only at: لرسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم انه تسيبه البغاة

Ends: وسلم تسليمًا ..... وعسى الله ونعم الوكيل نعم المولى ونعم النصير

MS 290 (Grammar)

Title: Sharh Alfīyat Ibn Mālik



Author: Ibn an-Nāzim (sic)

Date: 1232/1817 (new portions 1324/1906)

The beginning is missing and has been supplied by a later hand. Additional material at the end is dated as above.

This Commentary is apparently not recorded by Brockelmann. For the Alfīya, see Brockelmann G.I.359 f: S.I.522 f.

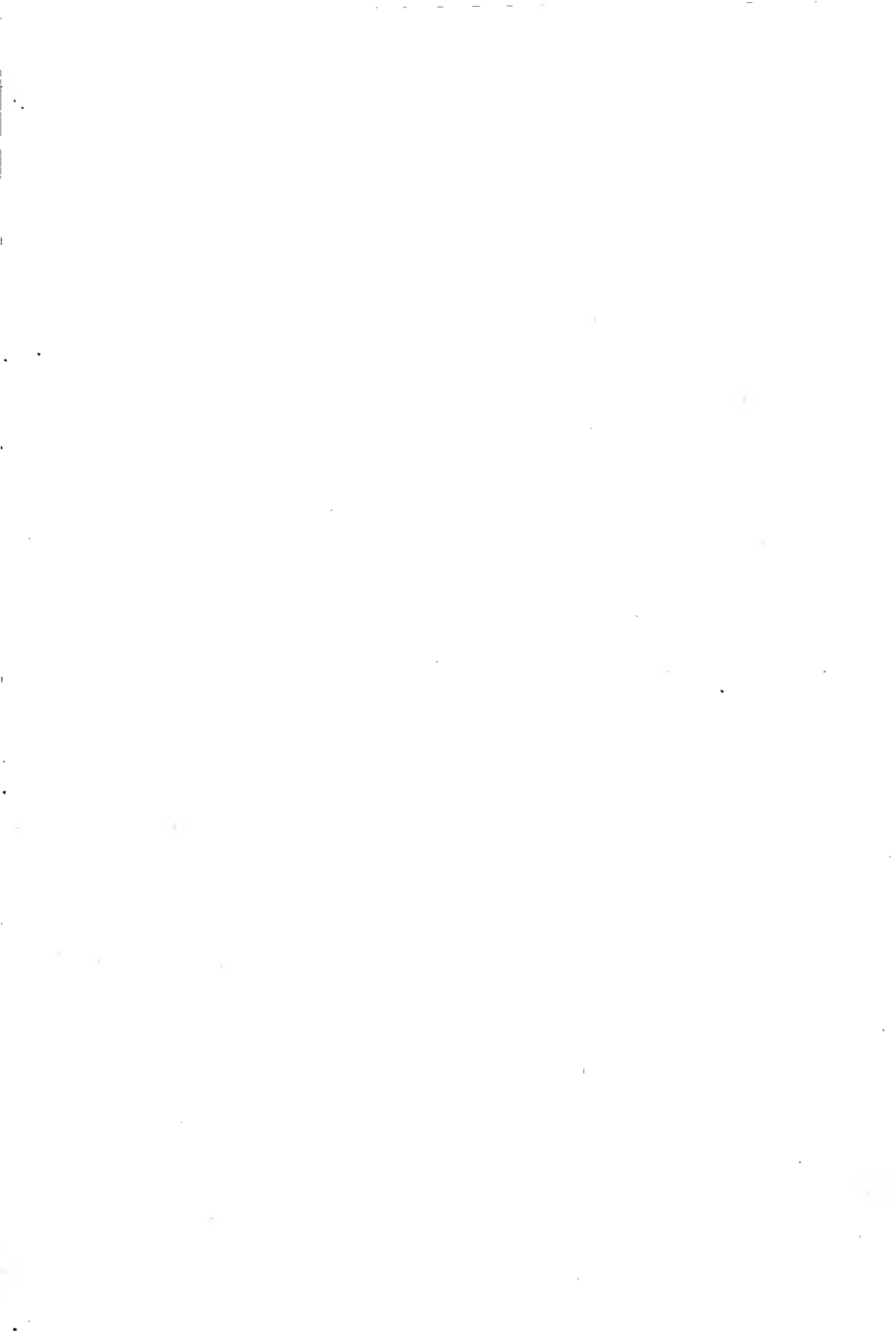
Folios 207, 8 x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of 20 lines to page, no border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 27-28 cms., in inelegant Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs (new portions on off-white matt paper with broad vertical layers, in larger Naskhī characters, also unvocalized, without orthographic signs). Lemmas overlined in red; many marginal annotations. Margins of first and last folios of older material repaired. Bound in brown leather covered boards, red leather on spine, no flap. 'Unwān supplied in later hand in folio 2a.

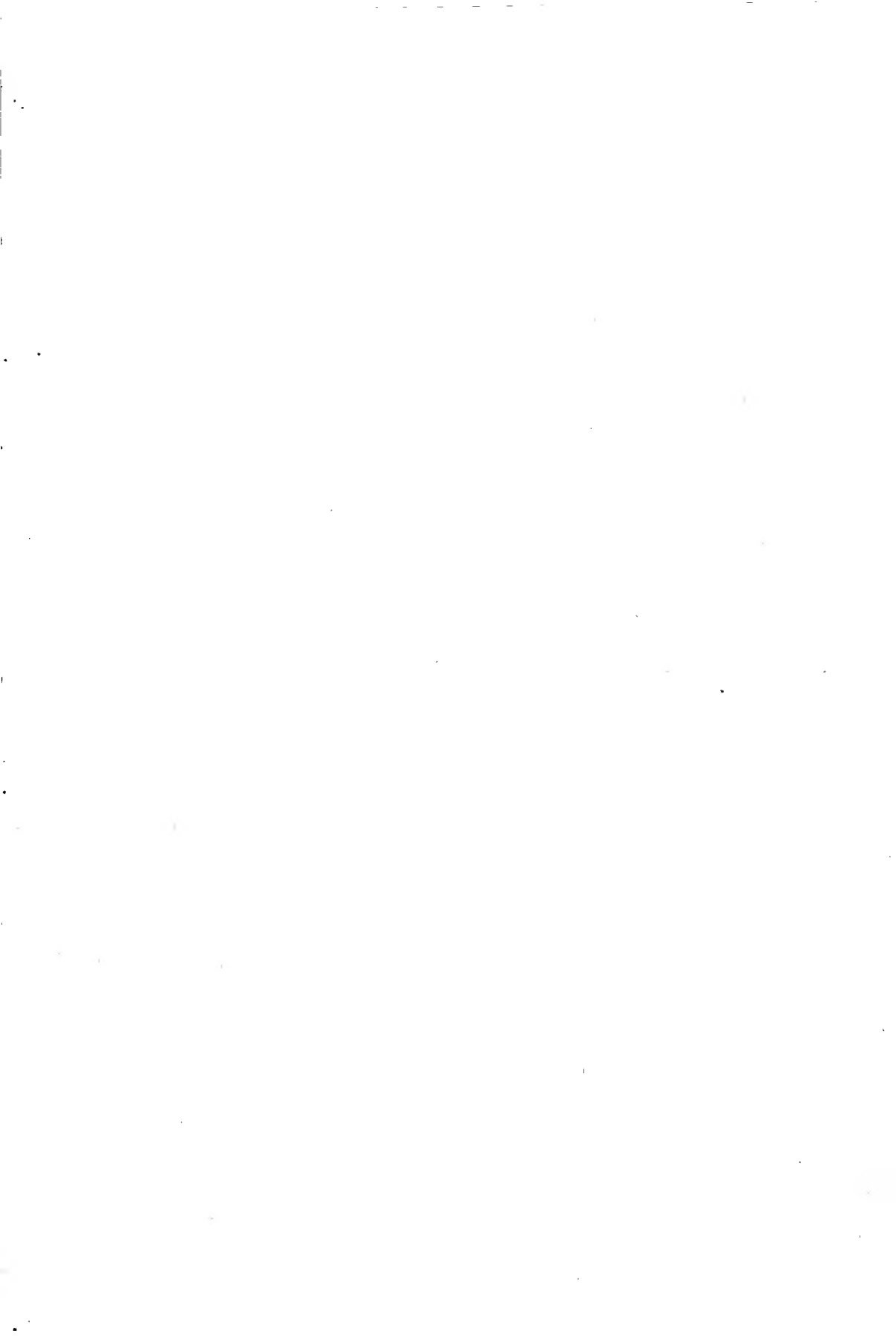
Begins (later supply):

حمد الله سبحانه وتعالى  
ما أسبغ

Ends (broken) with Colophon of older material.







MS 293 (Prayers; Qasīda)

## TWO WORKS WITHIN THE ONE VOLUME

1. Folios 1-132 Title: Dalā'ilu 'l-khairāt wa-ghawāriqu 'l-anwār fī dhikri 's-salūt 'ala 'n-nabī al-muḥtār

Author: Abū 'Abdallāh Muḥammad b. Sulaimān ...  
al-Gazūlī (870/1465)

Date: Not stated; see below

Brockelmann G.II.327<sub>4.1</sub>: S.II.359<sub>4.1</sub>.

2. Folios 133-151

Title: al-Burda (for qasīdat ...)

Author: Muḥammad b. Sa'īd al-Buṣīrī (d.694/1294)

Date: Not stated; 19th century

Brockelmann G.I.308<sub>14.1</sub>: S.I.467<sub>16.1</sub>.

For the variant form of the name, see further on MS 120 (Faso.III). Note also the absence of Wāw from Buṣīrī in the MS.

Folios 151,  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 4$  in; in single columns of (1) 9 (2) 10 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper, vertical layer to every 27 cms., in clear Maghribī, vocalized, with the orthographic signs. Rubrics, section numbers, etc., in red; no annotations. Dampstains along top margins. Excellently bound in tooled reddish-brown leather, with gilt designs and flap; leather supported by sheets of old MSS, apine sewn.

1. Begins: هذا فانرضني هذا الكتاب ذكر الصلاة على النبي

Ends: الرحمة وكاشف الخمة وعلى اله --- وسام تسليما

2. Begins: قال الشيخ الفقيه --- بن سعيد البصري

Ends: ومن عثمان ومن على نرى النعم

MS 294 (Theology)

Title: ar-Risālatu 'l-quṭbīya wa-'l-maqālatu  
'l-qalbīya wa-'l-haqīqatu 'l-aḥadīya

Author: Muḥammad b. Muḥammad b. Aḥmad b. Aḥmad  
Ismā'īl Aḥmad b. ash-Shaikh al-Hanbalī

al-Qāṣiṣī

Date: 1107/1695

In the author's own hand. The work deals with the attributes and names of God in the form of commentary and exegesis, with criticisms of the views of the writer on whose work he appears to have based his writing.

Folios 44, 8½ x 6 in; in single columns of 19 lines to page, no border. Written on thick, waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 30 cms., in clear Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Lemmas and headings in red; no annotations. Waterstains throughout. Last two folios contain tables and writing on geomancy. Bound in marbled paper covered boards, brown leather (perishing) on spine and flap; quires loosening from spine. Simple 'Unwān in black and red in folio 1.

Begins: بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ سَلَامٌ قَوْلًا مِنْ رَبِّ رَحِيمٍ الْكَزْزُ الْمَخْنُونُ

Ends: مِنْ دَلُو الْغُيُوبِ وَشَفَاءُ الْإِلَهِ مِنْ دَا الذَّنُوبِ

MS 295 (Law)

Title: Miṣbāḥu 's-sālik fī ahkāmī 'l-manāsik  
 Author: Sulaimān Ibn 'Alī  
 Copyist: Ibrāhīm b. Ahmad b. Ibrāhīm b. Sulaimān  
           b. Yūsuf al-Ashīqarī  
 Date: 1174/1761

A small manual, described as a nuskha, covering several topics, such as prayer on journeys, pilgrimage, etc., and comprising a collection based on well-known writers.

Folios 80, 6 x 4½ in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no border. Written on chalk-surfaced, horizontally-laid paper, vertical layer to every 28 cms., in inelegant Syrian Naskh, unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Section headings in red; a few marginal annotations. Bound in pale-brown tooled leather, with flap, pages of old MSS used to support cover; dark-brown leather on spine. Simple 'Unwān in red in folio 1.

Begins: فهذا منسك مفيد مختصر جمعه من كتب الاصحاب غير متبل

Ends: واتم التسليم علي صاحب الشفاعة والخلق العظيم

MS 296 (Law)

A LARGE FRAGMENT OF AN UNIDENTIFIED WORK ON LAW

Both beginning and ending are missing and there is nothing to indicate whose work it is. The copy is apparently 17th or 18th century. The usual religious obligations are discussed, as well as social duties. Lacuna between folios 66 and 67. Arranged in abwāb and fusūl.

Folios 192, 8 x 5 $\frac{3}{4}$  in; in single columns of 15 lines to page, no border. Written on stout matt paper, in clear large Naskhī characters, vocalized and with the orthographic signs. Sections headed in red; a few marginal annotations. Folios now loose and original binding lost. No 'Unwān.

Begins only at:

وسلام عرف بان وفي اشتراط نية الخروج به . خلاف

Ends only at:

فتالكلام كسلام علي مفترض ولا لتبسم



MS 297 (Grammar)

Title: Mawāhibu 's-samad fī ḥall alfāzī 'z-Zubad  
 Author: Ahmad b. Hijāzī al-Faḥnī ad-Dabbī  
 (10th century A.H.)

Date: Not stated; possibly 16th century

Brockelmann (G. II. 118<sub>29</sub>): S. II. 113<sub>29</sub>. I. f.

The Commentary by al-Faḥnī on "Safwat az-Zubad" by  
 Shihābaddīn Ahmad b. al-Husain b. Hasan b. Raslān ar-Ramlī  
 (d. 844/1441). Incomplete at end.

Folios 168, 9 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  in; in single columns of 23 lines to page,  
 no border. Written on stout, waxed, vertically-laid paper,  
 horizontal layer to every 28 cms., in inelegant Syrian Naskh,  
 unvocalized, without orthographic signs. Lemmas in red; copious-  
 ly annotated in margins. Many margins repaired; the whole copy  
 is damp, with folios sticking together a little. Inside front  
 cover and first two folios damaged through damp; the last five  
 folios with the back cover are worm eaten. Bound in dark-brown

tooled leather, with flap, folios breaking away from spine.

Simple 'Unwān in folio 1 in black and red.

Begins: فيقول الفقير الى رحمة ربه --- هذا تحليق على منظومة الشيخ

Ends only at: عليه فما مقدار ما تمدح الوري  
--- رسلان

MS 298 (Hadīth)

Title: Ahādīthu 'l-wada'nnī

Author: Not stated

Copyist: 'Abdallāh b. Muḥammad b. 'Abdallāh  
al-Wahbī ash-Shāfi'i

Date: Not stated; probably 16th or 17th  
century

Complete, a collection of traditions totalling forty,  
each hadīth being followed by its sharḥ.

Folios 37, 8 x 6 in; in single columns of 17 lines to page, no

border. Written on waxed, vertically-laid paper, horizontal layer to every 28 cms., in large Naskhī characters, vocalized in places, with some orthographic signs. Headings in red; many marginal annotations and glosses. Folios now loose, original cover lost. Excellently preserved. No 'Unwān.

Begins: حد ثنا الشيخ الامام الحافظ ابو طاهر احمد بن محمد بن احمد  
السلني

Ends: اى التتم والتتم بذلك الحال التبعة الاثم

MS 299 (Qur'ān)

THE COMPLETE MUSHAF, 18th OR 19th CENTURY COPY

There is an interlinear Persian translation, and marginal Persian Commentaries.

Folios 406 (including alternate blanks between), 12 x 7½ in; in single columns of average 17 lines to page (excluding interlinear translation). Written on thin, waxed matt paper in beautiful,

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